

poultry or livestock injured or destroyed by dogs. And if the owner of the dog or dogs doing the damage be known, it shall be the duty of the County Commissioners to notify such owner or owners to kill said dog or dogs immediately. If such dog or dogs be killed by the owner, after notice as aforesaid, he shall be exempt from all further liability, but in case the said owner or owners should refuse or neglect to kill said dog or dogs upon notice as aforesaid, the said owner or owners shall be liable to the County Commissioners for said damages to the same extent as he would be liable in case of negligence or malicious destruction of property, and the said County Commissioners may in their discretion have the special officers or constables to kill said dog or dogs.

An. Code, 1924, art. 81, sec. 212. 1918, ch. 497, sec. 201. 1920, ch. 498, sec. 201. 1929, ch. 226, sec. 273 (p. 712).

**273.** Any person violating or refusing to comply with any of the provisions of this sub-title shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof before any Justice of the Peace of the county in which he resides, or in the Circuit Court of said county, shall be fined a sum of not less than five dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars or shall be imprisoned in the county jail for not more than thirty days, or shall be both fined and imprisoned in the discretion of the court. It shall be the duty of the State's Attorney, the Sheriff and the constables of the several counties of the State to prosecute all persons found violating the law by refusing to comply with its provisions. Provided that nothing in this sub-title shall apply to the City of Baltimore.

### **Outdoor Advertising.**

1931, ch. 324, sec. 274.

**274.** From and after June 1, 1931, no person, firm or corporation, resident or non-resident of this State, shall engage in the business generally known as outdoor advertising for profit gained from rentals or other compensation received for the erection, use or maintenance of billboards, or any other structures, signs, posters or display advertising of any kind or nature whatsoever, upon real property, without a license having first been obtained from the State Roads Commission of Maryland to engage in such business, for which the said firm, person or corporation shall pay an annual license fee for the use of the State of \$200.00; provided, however, that a person, firm, or corporation maintaining not more than fifty billboards, signs, posters, or other structures for display advertising, shall pay an annual license fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) and that the licenses first issued under this section shall be dated June 1, 1931, and shall expire on the 30th day of April succeeding, and the charge therefor shall be \$183.25, unless the applicant engages in business in any month subsequent to June 1, 1931, when a ratable sum shall be charged. Thereafter, all licenses shall be dated May 1st and shall expire the following